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# NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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#### COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Attn: Box Missing Parts

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application" (form PTO-1533) dated October 12, 2000 on the above application, a Declaration duly signed by the inventors, and a check in the amount of the required \$130.00 surcharge. By separate cover, we are filing the Assignment and the \$40.00 fee for recording same.

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Please charge any additional fees incurred or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the identified application is now complete. Early examination of the application on its merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CLAIM OF PRIORITY

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Sir:

In support of the claim of priority under 35. U.S.C. § 119 asserted in the Declaration accompanying the above-entitled application, as filed, please find enclosed herewith certified copies of Japanese Application Nos. 11-236412 and 2000-171556, filed in Japan on 24 August 1999 and 8 June 2000, respectively, forming the basis for such claim.

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Acknowledgment of the claim of priority and of the receipt of said certified copy(s) is requested.

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